SUBJECTS.

ERANIEL TALUK.

112. Construction of main and sub-channels from the Mulagumud tunnel.

Mr. M. Bhuthalingam Pillai (Member, Eraniel Taluk) said that, prior to the execution of the Kodayar project, a rough forecast of the lands that could be irrigated by the Kodayar channel was made, and that it included the lands in Midalam, Killiyur and Nattalam. The above fact would be evident from the circumstance that the Thiruvithancode and the Mulagumud tunnels, which were built at great cost, would, but for such inclusion, remain unused and unnecessary. The land-holders in the three places were subject to great hardship, owing to the absence of agricultural facilities. He requested therefore that Government might order the construction of main and sub-channels from the Mulagumud tunnel to irrigate the lands of Midalam, Killiyur and Nattalam and thus avert famine and drought to which they were constantly exposed. The channels, if cut, would not only irrigate existing lands but also serve to bring new lands under cultivation. The Member also prayed that an enquiry might be ordered through the Peishkar before finally deciding the question.

Dewan's reply.—The Chief Engineer reports that the channel asked for is at present quite out of the question, as it means an indefinite extension of the Thiruvithancode channel which, even to its present extent, is not adequate to supply the requirements of the lands under it. The suggestion of the Member cannot be acted upon.

KALKULAM TALUK.

113. Establishment of a Veterinary Hospital at Thackalay.

Mr. T. Kumara Pillai (Member, Kalkulam Taluk) said that Kalkulam and Eraniel had large heads of cattle and that a Veterinary Hospital at Thackalay was a real want. Since Government themselves contemplated opening such hospitals, he requested that the claims of the taluk might be considered in that connection and a hospital established at Thackalay.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

VILAVANKODE TALUK.

114. Opening of a kal to Thengapatnam.

Mr. K. Raman Tampi (Member, Vilavankode Taluk) said that, in spite of the Kodayar project, the Vilavankode taluk derived no benefit therefrom and had still to depend for its water-supply upon the rain-fed tanks. He requested that the Right Bank Channel might be extended to Thengapatnam, by cutting a kal from Valvachagoshtom or Kaviyallur along Palliyadi and Nattalam. The cost would

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